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Award-Winning Documentary Focuses on Caring for Your Parents

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library and KPBS will screen an abbreviated version of Caring for Your Parents by award-winning filmmaker Michael Kirk. The film will be shown at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 26, 2008 in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This event is free to the public.

Caring for Your Parents is an eye-opening film that draws much-needed attention to the realities of caring for elderly parents. As the population ages, many American adults are grappling with an unprecedented social, cultural, economic, and personal revolution as they transition into the primary caregiver role for their aging parents. Through the deeply personal stories of five families facing these issues head-on, the film highlights the struggles to keep parents at home, tensions between siblings, complex financial decisions, and the drama of life and death. In the end, the documentary contends successful caregiving requires one primary ingredient—love.

A panel discussion, moderated by KPBS reporter Joanne Faryon, will be held immediately following the film screening. Panelists include Veronika Glenn, Director, Education & Training Southern Caregiver Resource Center and Martin Dare-Family Caregiver Support Program, Aging & Independence Services County of San Diego.

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The full Program will air on KPBS, April 2, at 9:00 p.m. Visit www.pbs.org/wgbh/caringforyourparents for more information.

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Outreach partners include: AARP Publications, National Association of Social Workers, National Alliance for Caregiving, and the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging.

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